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ACTIVITIES OF BULGARIAN RED CROSS

Numbers in parentheses refer to appended sources.

In January 1952, the Bulgarian Red Cross had 758,788 members and 9,390 societies in enterprises, offices, institutions of learning, farm workers' cooperatives, and villages. In 1951 alone, 268,712 new members and 4,070 societies were recruited.

Up to the present, the Bulgarian Red Cross has awarded GSO (gotov za sanitarna otbrana, Ready for Sanitary Defense) badges to 556,208 persons, and BGSO (budi gotov za sanitarna otbrana, Be Ready for Sanitary Defense) badges to 115,460 persons. It has had 14,295 blood donors. New GSO recruits numbered 233,108 during 1951; BGSO, 36,559; and blood donors, 8,625. There are thousands of medical stations (dispensaries) in farm workers' cooperatives.(1)

During 1951, energetic measures were taken to combat malaria. As a result the number of cases recorded during 1951 was 2,500, as against 132,000 during

During 1951, 92 rural hospitals were set up with more than 1,500 beds. It is expected that there will be 3,805 beds by the end of 1952.

During 1952, it is expected that the Bulgarian Red Cross will give 15,000 new courses in GSO which will be taken by 450,000 persons. Several thousand; of medical stations will be established, 15,000 new blood donors will be recruited, and 300 nurses will be trained, as compared with the 120 during 1951.(2)

SOURCES

- 1. Bulgarski Cherven Krust, Apr 52
- 2. Ibid., Mar 52

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